GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6881
ANSWERED ON:09.05.2003
CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT, 1986
ALE NARENDRA;CHANDRA NATH SINGH;NIVEDITA MANE

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are considering to amend Consumer Protection Act, 1986;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government are also considering to set up a National Safety Commission as suggested by various consumer organizations;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the press reports wherein it has been stated that various manufacturers of consumer products are not mentioning the name of the company and its address on the pack;

(f) if so, the number of such cases came to the notice of the Government; and

(g) the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a) : No, Sir.

(b) : Does not arise.

(c) : No, Sir.

(d) : Does not arise.

(e) to (g): Declaration of the name and address of the manufacturer on all commodities in pre-packed form is a mandatory requirement under the provisions of the Standards of Weights & Measures (Packaged Commodities) Rules,1977. Non-compliance of this requirement attracts penal provision. Enforcement of the provisions of the Rules rests with the State authorities. Whenever violations are detected, action is taken by the State authorities in accordance with the provisions of the law. No case of manufacturers of consumer products not mentioning the name of the company and its address on their pack has been brought to the notice of the Central Government.